

December 2002 (4) AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) REPORT

Installation is complete for the 32^1 AED cabinets located throughout the Clinical Center. Each AED cabinet contains a small, four-pound LifePak 500 defibrillator, a Laerdal pocket maskTM and a pair of latex Free sterile gloves.

WHENEVER AN AED CABINET DOOR IS OPENED A VERY LOUD CONTINUOUS ALARM ACTIVATES, SO THE CABINET DOOR SHOULD BE OPENED ONLY WHEN THERE IS CODE BLUE SITUATION IN WHICH THE VICTIM

- IS UNCONSCIOUS,
- DOES NOT HAVE A PULSE, AND
- IS NOT BREATHING.

WHEN THERE IS A CODE BLUE SITUATION AND AN AED CABINET DOOR IS OPENED, BE SURE TO FOLLOW CODE BLUE PROCEDURE AND DIAL '111'. THE CODE TEAM WILL TURN THE AED CABINET ALARM OFF WHEN THERE IS A CODE BLUE SITUATION.

If the alarm activates and there is not a Code Blue situation, page the on-call Respiratory Therapy Section staff through the signal page operator at x61211. They will take care of the AED cabinet.

ONCE AN AED CABINET DOOR IS OPENED, THE ALARM ACTIVATES AND THE AED UNIT CAN BE REMOVED. INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO USE THE AED ARE POSTED BESIDE EACH AED CABINET, BUT THE UNIT ITSELF GIVES EASY TO UNDERSTAND SCREEN MESSAGES AND VOICE PROMPTS ON WHAT STEPS TO TAKE. CPR CLASSES NOW INCLUDE INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO USE AEDS.

STAFF SHOULD FOLLOW REGULAR CODE BLUE PROCEDURES BY DIALING '111' FOR ANY MEDICAL EMERGENCY.

¹ AED Station Location by CC Floor: B3 Radiation Oncology; P3 Parking Lobby; B2 Loading Platform; B1 floor—NMR, Cafeteria, Cafeteria Loading Platform [N=2]; 1st Floor—South Entrance, Masur Auditorium, Admissions Area, Radiology [N=2], Nuclear Medicine [N=2], Transfusion Medicine; 2nd Floor Cafeteria; 3rd through 13th Floor—One Each by ACRF Elevators 26 and 28; 6th Floor Rehabilitation Medicine Reception; 11th Floor—11 East; 14th Floor—Solarium Area, Mechanical Rooms [N=2].